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Hearing on "China's Activities in Southeast Asia and the Implications for U.S. Interests"

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The U.S.-China Economic and Security Review Commission will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, February 4, 2010 on "China's Activities in Southeast Asia and the Implications for U.S. Interests." **The hearing will be held at 8:45 am in Room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building**, located at First Street and Constitution Avenue, NE, Washington DC, 20510.

The February 4 hearing will examine China's interests in Southeast Asia, its economic, security, and energy activities in the region; regional views of China, and the impact of Chinese activities on U.S. regional interests.

Scheduled to testify on February 4 are Mr. David B. Shear, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs at the U.S. Department of State; Mr. Robert Scher, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for South and Southeast Asia at the U.S. Department of Defense; Mr. Ernest Z. Bower, Senior Advisor and Director of the Southeast Asia Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies; Mr. Walter Lohman, Director of the Asia Studies Center at the Heritage Foundation; Dr. Catharin E. Dalpino, Visiting Associate Professor and Director of Thai Studies at Georgetown University; Dr. Andrew Scobell, Associate Professor at Texas A&M University; Dr. Richard P. Cronin, Senior Associate at the Henry L. Stimson Center; Mr. Bronson Percival, Senior Advisor with the Center for Strategic Studies at CNA; Dr. Donald E. Weatherbee, Professor Emeritus at the University of South Carolina; and Dr. Ellen L. Frost, Visiting Fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics and Adjunct Research Fellow at the INSS National Defense University. A copy of the complete hearing agenda is attached at the end of this press announcement.

Hearing Co-Chairs: Vice Chairman Carolyn Bartholomew and Commissioner Larry M. Wortzel

What: Public Hearing on "China's Activities in Southeast Asia and the Implications for U.S.

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Where: Room 562, Dirksen Senate Office Building, First Street and Constitution Avenue, NE

Washington DC 20510

Panelists' bios and written statements will be available on the Commission's Web Site at www.uscc.gov on Thursday, February 4, 2010.

Reservations are not required to attend – seating is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

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8:45 am – 9:00 am	Commissioners' Opening Statements
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Panel I: Congressional Perspectives
	Members of Congress (invited)
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Panel II: Administration Perspectives
	Mr. David B. Shear, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC
	Mr. Robert Scher, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for South and
	Southeast Asia, U.S. Department of Defense, Washington, DC
10:45 am – 12:00 pm	Panel III: Political and Economic Aspects
	Mr. Ernest Z. Bower, Senior Advisor and Director, Southeast Asia Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies, Washington, DC
	Mr. Walter Lohman, Director, Asia Studies Center, The Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC
	Dr. Catharin E. Dalpino, Visiting Associate Professor and Director of Thai Studies, Georgetown University, Washington, DC
12:00 pm – 12:45 pm	Lunch Break
12:45 pm – 2:00 pm	Panel IV: Security Aspects
	Dr. Andrew Scobell, Associate Professor, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX
	Dr. Richard P. Cronin, Senior Associate, Henry L. Stimson Center, Washington, DC
	Mr. Bronson Percival, Senior Advisor, Center for Strategic Studies, CNA, Alexandria, VA
2:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Panel V: China and Regional Forums
First	Dr. Donald E. Weatherbee, Professor Emeritus, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
	Dr. Ellen L. Frost, Visiting Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics and Adjunct Research Fellow, INSS National Defense University, Washington, DC

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